



A Member of the St. Juan Diego Deanery  
Sister Parish with Sacred Heart of Jesus

## July 21, 2024 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**St. Joseph Catholic Church**  
**331 N. Thoman Street, Crestline, Ohio 44827**  
**419-683-2015**  
**[www.stjosephcrestline.org](http://www.stjosephcrestline.org)**



### **Tuesday—July 23**

**6:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart**

*Intention: Bob Sutter,  
Madonna Gamble Chancellor*

### **Wednesday—July 24**

**8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart**

*Intention: Bob & Shirley Vogt;  
Barbara Finnegan*

### **Thursday—July 25**

**5:30 pm Confessions at St. Joseph**

**6:30 pm Mass at St. Joseph**

*Intention: For the People of St. Joseph  
Parish*

### **Friday—July 26**

**8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph**

*Intention: William "Bill" Sharrock*

### **Saturday—July 27**

**3:30 pm Confessions at Sacred Heart**

**4:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart**

*Intention: For the People of Sacred  
Heart Parish*

### **Sunday—July 28**

**7:00 am Mass at St. Joseph**

*Intention: Special Intention;  
Patty Kauffman; Milligan Family*

**8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart**

*Intention: Marie & Joe Biglin;  
Shirley Vogt*

**10:30 am Mass at St. Joseph**

*Intention: Dan & Martha Schroeder;  
Charles Marek*

Greetings prayer warriors,

Thank you for all your prayers for my father. Each day he is getting a little bit better. He is still in the hospital and not out of the woods yet. But since so many of you have been praying for him I would like to give you an update.

Dad is now off of the ventilator and is breathing on his own. Also, at this point his blood is free from sepsis and the blood clot in his lung has dissolved. Some may say that he is very lucky, but I know that he is doing well because of the many prayers sent his way by you!

At this point he is still at Lima St. Rita's hospital doing physical therapy. He was on the vent for close to 2 weeks as they were pumping him full of antibiotics due to the underlying cause of everything in his pancreatitis. Being unable to move for 2 weeks has seriously weakened his muscles as they were not getting their regular exercise in everyday movement. But this next week he will be putting in 2 hours each day of physical therapy to get his muscles strong again. He hopes to make it to the Sacred Heart festival in a couple weeks to give his thanks to everyone for their prayers. This goal is really pushing it though so don't expect to see him this year at the festival. Rather a more realistic goal is everyone catching him at the Crestline Harvest festival in the early fall.

Thanks for the many prayers and continue to pray for all of our parishioners in need. There are a good amount of us currently going through treatments and physical frustrations each day! "Jesus Divine Physician... help them!"

In Christ,  
Fr. Jeff



**Weekly Offering**

July 14, 2024

\$4,057.00

**Sunday Envelopes**

(38) \$1,760.00

**Loose Checks**

(6) \$470.00

**Loose Currency**

\$271.00

**Votive lights**

\$44.00

**School Support**

\$600.00

**Parish Maintenance**

\$540.00

**Online Giving**

\$62.00

**Caritas**

\$115.00

**Altar Candles**

\$195.00

*Thank you*

**Please join us as we pray a Holy Hour on Tuesdays in St. Joseph Church at 11:00 a.m.** Please come and pray the Rosary and other prayers for our beloved country. God bless us all and the USA.



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS: July 28, 2024** Please check Ministry Pro for any updates.

**Sunday - 7:00 am****Lector:** Nicole Roberts**Eucharistic Ministers:** Steve Marek, Don Alt, Barbara DiPietro**Servers:** Bryce Parsons, Jake Rafferty**Gift Bearers:** Don & Sharen Alt Family**Ushers:** Don Alt, Doug DeNero**Sunday - 10:30 am****Lector:** Tracy Dzugan**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dan Legge, Peggy Pauley, Tracy Dzugan**Servers:** Alexandria Burton, Grace Coffman, Jeffrey Davis**Gift Bearers:** Matt & Sheila Bickert Family**Ushers:** Dave Sharrock, Mark Schneider**Special Intention of Pope Francis—Month of July**

*For the Pastoral Care of the Sick:* We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

**Readings for the week of July 22**

Monday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17 /Ps 63:2-6, 8-9 /Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 /Ps 85:2-8 /Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10 /Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6b, 15, 17 /Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: 2 Cor 4:7-15 /Ps 126:1-6 /Mt 20:20-28

Friday: Jer 3:14-17 /Ps Jer 31:10-13 /Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11 /Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11 /Mt 13:24-30

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44 /Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 /Eph 4:1-6 /Jn 6:1-15

**PSR Teacher Meeting  
Cancelled**

The PSR Teacher Meeting that was scheduled for today—Sunday, July 21 has been postponed to a future date yet to be determined.

We apologize for the confusion and any inconvenience this cancellation may have caused.

**Pray the Rosary With Us!**

Every Sunday at 9:55 a.m. in church.  
Extra rosaries can be found in the narthex.

**St. Joseph School Summer Office Hours**

**July:** Please email Sue Sanders or Andrea Burton (emails on back page)

**August:** Monday—Friday, 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. (Regular hours)

**National Family Planning  
Awareness Week**

As an educational campaign of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), “NFP Week” celebrates God’s design for married love and the gift of life and raises awareness about Natural Family Planning (NFP) methods.

The dates of Natural Family Planning Awareness Week are July 21–27, 2024. These dates highlight the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Humanae vitae* (July 25) which articulates Catholic beliefs about human sexuality, marriage, conjugal love and responsible parenthood. The dates also mark the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (July 26), the parents of the Blessed Mother.

For more information, visit: [toledodocese.org/natural-family-planning](http://toledodocese.org/natural-family-planning). You can also contact Sean and Laura Beeson who are the NFP contacts for our parish.



### Church Cleaners Needed

We are still looking for some more volunteers to help the wonderful volunteers we already have. If you would like to

donate some of your time, please call Bonnie at the parish office for more information on ways to help. **Thank you!**

### St. Joseph Parish congratulates Tyler and Madison Sipes on the Baptism of their daughter, Raelynn Kaye Marie Sipes.



Raelynn received the Sacrament of Baptism by Fr. Jeffery Smith on Sunday, July 7 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

A rose was placed on the side altar on Sunday, July 14 in Thanksgiving for Raelynn.

We welcome Raelynn to the Catholic Faith!

### An Update from C.A.M.P.

In April, CAMP served 87 families of 237 people. There was an increase in May where CAMP served 110 families of 289 people. As of the June meeting, CAMP had 77 families that include 172 children which have signed up for the School Clothing Voucher program.

### This week at the Crestline Public Library:

- Children:** **Pajama Movie Day - Movie: *Migration***  
Tuesday, July 23 at 10:00 a.m.  
Wear PJs, bring a blanket and pillow
- Teen/Adult:** **Adventures in Hiking**  
Wednesday, July 24 at 1:00 p.m.  
Author Brandon Weis will speak about hiking and his new book "*This is Gonna Hurt*".




### Free Books for Kids Ages 0–5






Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Ohio mails kids one free book each month until their 5th birthday. Any child in Ohio between birth and age 5 is eligible for the program.

Visit [OhioImaginationLibrary.org](http://OhioImaginationLibrary.org) to register a child.



# A PILGRIMAGE

TO MARK THIS YEAR OF GOING OUT ON MISSION DURING THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF OHIO INVITE ALL THE FAITHFUL

## To Make a Pilgrimage to the Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey

Join the bishops, priests, deacons, consecrated religious and lay faithful from across the state to celebrate the Vigil of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary **Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2024**, beginning at 9 p.m. for a candlelight rosary procession with the Miraculous Statue of Our Lady of Consolation from the Basilica Shrine to the Shrine Park followed by Holy Mass at the outdoor Altar in the Shrine Park.

**Toledo Bishop Daniel E. Thomas, Celebrant**  
**Columbus Bishop Earl K. Fernandes, Homilist**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, [WWW.OHIOCATHCONF.ORG](http://WWW.OHIOCATHCONF.ORG)

### Upcoming Area Events:

#### Summer Young Adult Gathering (or Those Young at Heart)

**TODAY—Sunday, July 21 6:00 p.m.**

Parish Office Meeting Room at Holy Trinity, Bucyrus  
Bringing a small food item to share is optional. RSVP is not mandatory, but appreciated: [ewurm124@gmail.com](mailto:ewurm124@gmail.com)

#### Retrouvaille Weekend—July 26—28

Email [NWOHio@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:NWOHio@helpourmarriage.org) or  
Call 419-481-1116 for details

#### Sacred Heart Parish Festival

**Sunday, July 28 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.**

#### Diocesan Cedar Point Day for Youth Sunday, July 28

10:00 a.m. Mass in the Lakeside Pavilion (inside the park)  
Tickets \$37.12—purchase at [toledodiocese.org/cedarpoint](http://toledodiocese.org/cedarpoint)

#### Permanent Deacon Virtual Inquiry Sessions Open to men between the ages of 29 and 59

After speaking with Fr. Jeff about your interest, please attend one the following virtual inquiry sessions via Zoom  
**Thursday, September 12 or Monday, September 16**  
7:00—8:00 p.m. Pre-registration not required  
Visit [toledodiocese.org/diaconate](http://toledodiocese.org/diaconate) for information and Zoom links

#### 2024 Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries Celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60+ years of marriage Sunday, October 27 3:00 p.m.

Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, Toledo  
Please register at [www.toldeoanniversarymass.org](http://www.toldeoanniversarymass.org) to receive a commemorative certificate and invitation to the reception following Mass.





# LOVE

## BEYOND MEASURE

**Natural Family Planning...**  
supporting God's gifts of love and life in marriage

## Married Love and the Gift of Life

By Rev. Robert R. Cannon, MA, JCL



Married love is a sacred gift beyond measure. As Pope Francis writes, “Love is more than a mere feeling” its fruitfulness “allows us to experience the happiness of giving” (*Amoris laetitia*, 94). The unique giving of self by the spouses reflects God’s love—love beyond measure!

In the book of Genesis, from the very beginning of creation, God designed marriage to image His love in the world—love that is permanent, faithful, total, and fruitful. God created marriage to be a covenant of shared love to unite a man and a woman for the whole of life, to become one flesh. “That is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one body” (Gen 2: 24). Between a baptized man and a baptized woman, marriage is a sacrament instituted by Christ (see *Code of Canon Law*, c.1055, §1, §2).

Marriage as envisioned by God has a richness and depth far different from the typical secular approach to marriage. The bishops of the United States

expressed this uniqueness very simply in this clear teaching about the purpose of marriage which is:

[M]ore than a civil contract; it is a lifelong covenant of love between a man and a woman. It is an intimate partnership in which husbands and wives learn to give and receive love unselfishly, and then teach their children to do so as well. (*Married Love and the Gift of Life*, p. 3).

At the heart of marriage lies the gift of human sexuality. The two-fold powers of love and life shared by spouses expresses a “nuptial” hope-filled quality. Love comes to life in the one flesh union of spouses. By its very nature and purpose, married love is meant to be a total gift of oneself. When a husband and a wife give themselves entirely to each other, their sacrificial love imitates the saving love of Christ poured out for our salvation.

One virtue often not mentioned regarding marriage is marital chastity. Chastity of mind, heart, and body supports fidelity in married love. Chastity empowers spouses to honor these gifts. It fosters a selfless, generous love, and reverence for each other. The virtue of chastity strengthens spouses to reject anything that would harm the dignity and sanctity of their marriage. It is a powerful antidote against a secular culture that undermines the sacred nature of marriage and family. An important aid to marital chastity are the methods of Natural Family Planning (NFP).

Today we are fortunate to have ethical methods of NFP which can aid a married couple in their desire to become pregnant or postpone a pregnancy. By understanding the signs of fertility and infertility a married couple can better cooperate with God's plan for their marriage. The methods of NFP help spouses to act responsibly in stewarding the gift of fertility they both share. Chastity is an essential element in NFP as spouses embrace God's design for marital love. That is because the NFP means to postpone or avoid pregnancy is periodic sexual abstinence. When the couple discerns that God is not calling them to have another child, they then do nothing to harm God's design of love and life. They simply abstain from the marital embrace during their time of fertility. Through marital chastity, husband and wife learn how to express their love through the wisdom of restraint—meaning that they will discover and live those little ways of expressing tenderness, respect, and consideration to each other. Then when they move into the infertile time of their fertility, husband and wife can be free to express their love as only they can in marriage.

If you are married or getting engaged to be married, consider learning a method of NFP. The practice of an NFP method will be a blessing in your marriage. NFP can help you and your spouse to embrace God's gifts of human sexuality, fertility, marital love, and parenthood. If a husband and a wife want to nourish their love and grow their family, NFP methods can become a practical and ethical support of their marital union.

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## Learn More

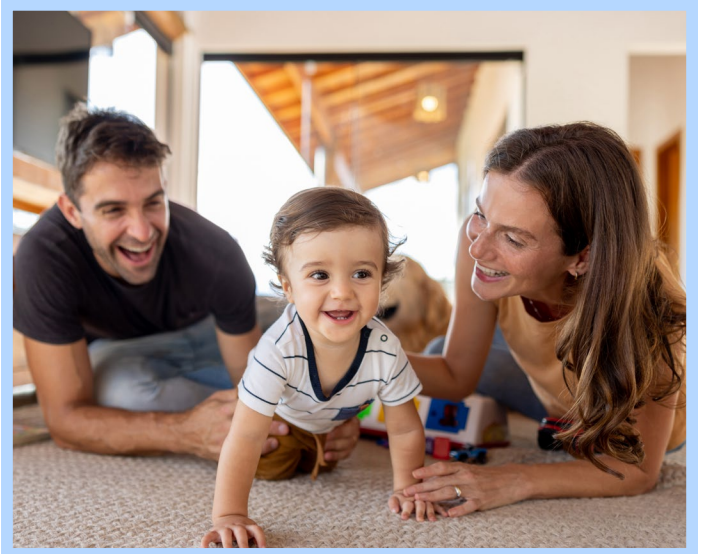
The US Bishops' NFP Program has good information for your marriage at [usccb.org/nfp](https://usccb.org/nfp).

To learn more about Catholic teaching on marriage, married love and responsible parenthood, see [usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/church-teaching](https://usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/church-teaching).

Read the US bishop's document *Married Love and the Gift of Life* at [usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/catholic-teaching/upload/Married-Love-and-the-Gift-of-Life-English-version.pdf](https://usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/natural-family-planning/catholic-teaching/upload/Married-Love-and-the-Gift-of-Life-English-version.pdf).

To learn more about NFP see [usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/what-natural-family-planning](https://usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/what-natural-family-planning).

Want to learn a method of NFP? Visit [usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/nfp-national-providers](https://usccb.org/topics/natural-family-planning/nfp-national-providers).



Fr. Cannon is a priest of the Diocese of Venice and is currently serving as the chancellor of the Archdiocese of the Military Services, USA.

Questions? Contact [nfp@usccb.org](mailto:nfp@usccb.org).

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Natural Family Planning Contacts

Parish Office hours Monday—Friday, 8am—1pm  
School Office hours 8:00am—3:00pm  
Please email with any concerns.

When traveling [masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org)  
will help you find a Sunday Mass to attend

**Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday by 12 noon, the week prior to the  
desired date. To submit items for the bulletin, please email  
Lisa Simmons at [lsimmons@stjosephcrestline.org](mailto:lsimmons@stjosephcrestline.org)



# Love and Life Programs

## Program 1: *I + YOU = WE*



**Happy relationships don't grow on trees. Inspire your Marriage!**

**October 12-13, 2024**

St. Joseph Catholic Church 709 Croghan St. Fremont, OH 43420

This is a unique weekend filled with lectures, dynamic workshops, and individual couple dialogue that leads you through 6 simple steps to real joy in your marriage. All married couples will benefit from this workshop.

**Program Leader**  
Fr. Jarosław "Jay" Szymczak  
Institute of the Holy Family • Warsaw, Poland

**Cost**  
\$250 per couple. \$300 after Sept. 30th

**Includes**

- Lecture & detailed workshop materials
- Coffee, tea & refreshments
- All meals

**More Information**  
[loveandlifeprograms.ohio@gmail.com](mailto:loveandlifeprograms.ohio@gmail.com)  
Aaron & Stephanie Gonya 614-378-6975



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**Saturday, October 12th 8 am - 9 pm and Sunday, October 13th 8 am - 4 pm**

## THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of July 21, 2024



### Sts. Joachim and Anne | Sacred Art

In this episode on FORMED Now, Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp discuss the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this famous painting "Joachim and Anne Meeting at the Golden Gate."



### The INCREDIBLE Eucharistic Miracles w/Fr. Robert Spitzer | Chris Stefanick Show

Did you know there are miracles that back up the true presence of the Eucharist? It's true! And I brought Fr. Robert Spitzer back to tell us about the incredible science behind them.



### St. Bridget of Sweden | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Carl Vennerstrom and Mary McGeehan as they dive into the life of this medieval saint: St. Bridget of Sweden. A wife, mother, and visionary, St. Bridget was an evangelist both inside and outside the home. St. Bridget's visions of Christ's Nativity have greatly influenced its depiction in Christian art. Watch to find out more!

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